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**U.S. Senate Committee on
Health, Education, Labor and Pensions**

Michael B. Enzi (Wyoming), Chairman



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***ENZI PRAISES ELEVATION OF HEAD START BUREAU; CALLS ON
SENATE TO PASS HEAD START REAUTHORIZATION QUICKLY***

Washington, D.C. – U.S. Senator Mike Enzi (R-Wyo.), Chairman of the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) Committee, today praised the elevation of the Head Start Bureau through a reorganization of the Administration of Children and Families (ACF) and made the following statement:

“As Chairman of the HELP Committee, I commend the Administration for reorganizing the ACF by elevating the Head Start Bureau to a commissioner level that reports directly to the Assistant Secretary of ACF. In light of today’s announcement, I call on the Senate to reauthorize the Head Start program quickly, so that the recently appointed Head Start commissioner, Channell Wilkins, is equipped with the tools needed to improve the quality and outcomes of the programs for children and their families.”

Additionally, the reorganization of the ACF moves the Child Care Bureau under the umbrella of the Office of Family Assistance (OFA), which could have a positive impact by creating stronger and more collaborative Federal childcare programs that emphasize early learning and preparation for school.

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